

## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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Confirmation No. 1176

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Group Art Unit 1632

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Examiner Anoop K. Singh

DRUG SCREENING METHOD

Mail Stop: AMENDMENT

## RESPONSE TO SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the species election requirement dated February 5, 2008, Applicants hereby elect the following species:

In response to item 1 of the Office Action, Applicants elect cells obtained from established human or non-human cell line;

In response to item 2 of the Office Action, Applicants elect (1) adipocyte cells;

And in response to item 3 of the Office Action, Applicants elect BAT.

Applicants respectfully suggest that claims 4-9 are readable on the elected species.

Favorable action on the merits is now requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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